

The National Atmospheric Deposition Program



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What Is the National Atmospheric Deposition Program?

- A Cooperative Research Support Project @UI (USDA)
 - measure wet deposition of pollutants (“precipitation”)
 - How much pollution is removed from the atmosphere
 - over North America
 - now South America, Asia
 - ~ 450,000 precipitation samples
 - Started in 1978, 36th year
 - “acid rain network”

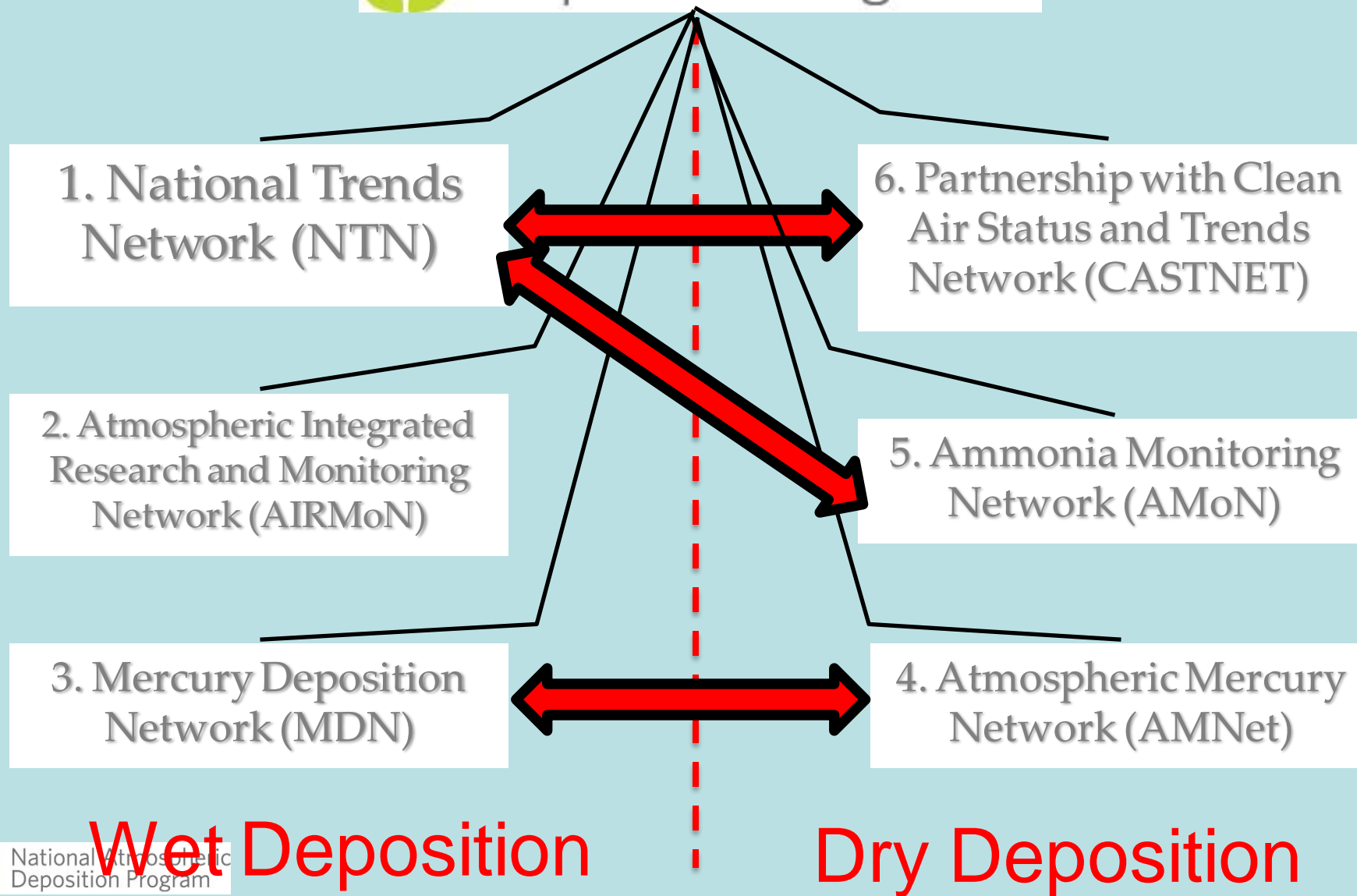


NADP's Goal

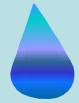
To *monitor* the chemistry of precipitation (rain and snow) and in the atmosphere, as *consistently* and *accurately* as we can, for long periods to determine changes over time (trends).



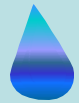
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Network #1: National Trends Network (NTN)



**Collects one-week precipitation-only samples
concentration and deposition**



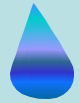
Analyses

Acids (H^+ , conductivity)

SO_4^- , NO_3^- , NH_4^+

Na^+ , Cl^- , K^+ , Mg^+

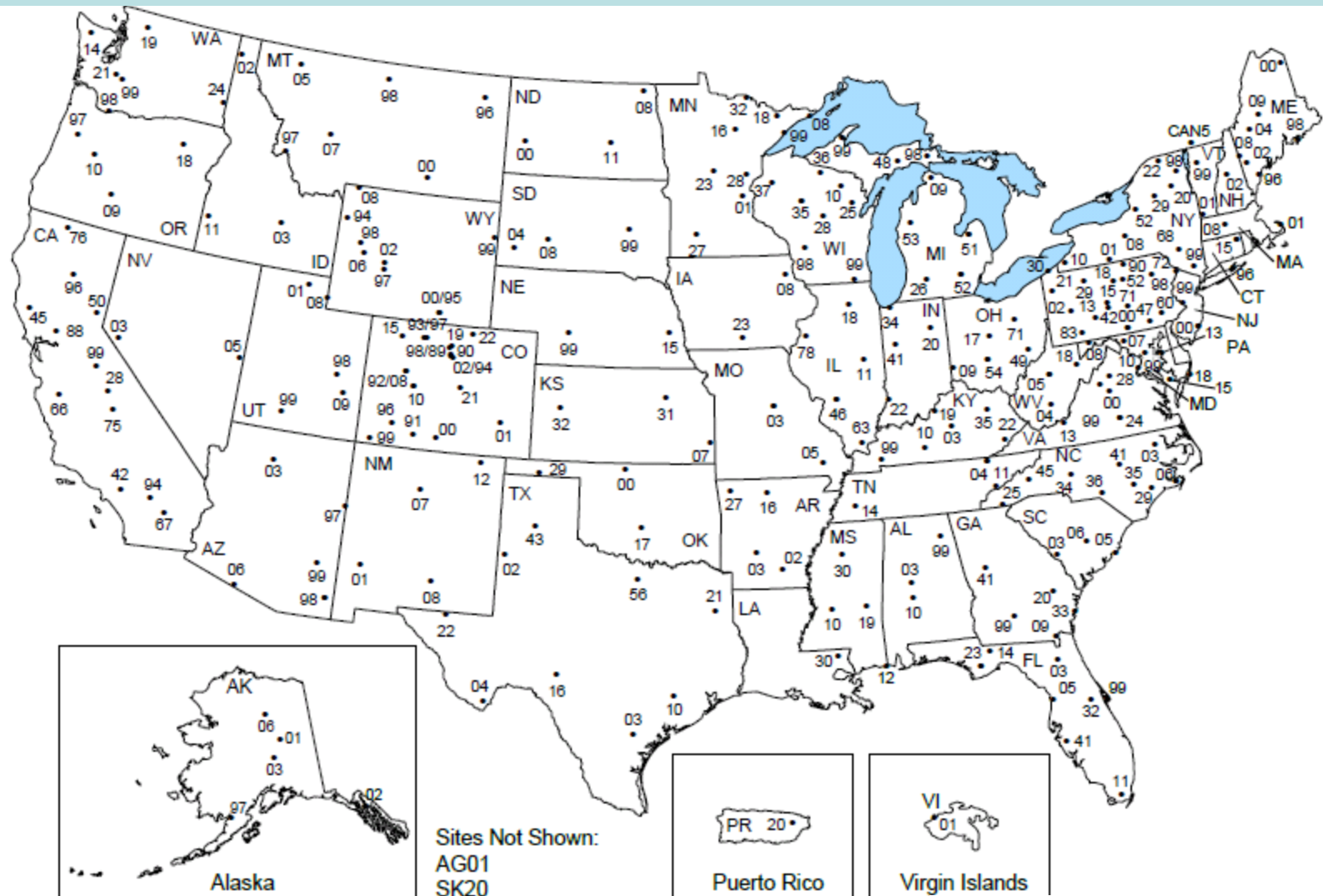
Ortho-phosphate



Weekly mg/L and mg/ha-week

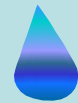
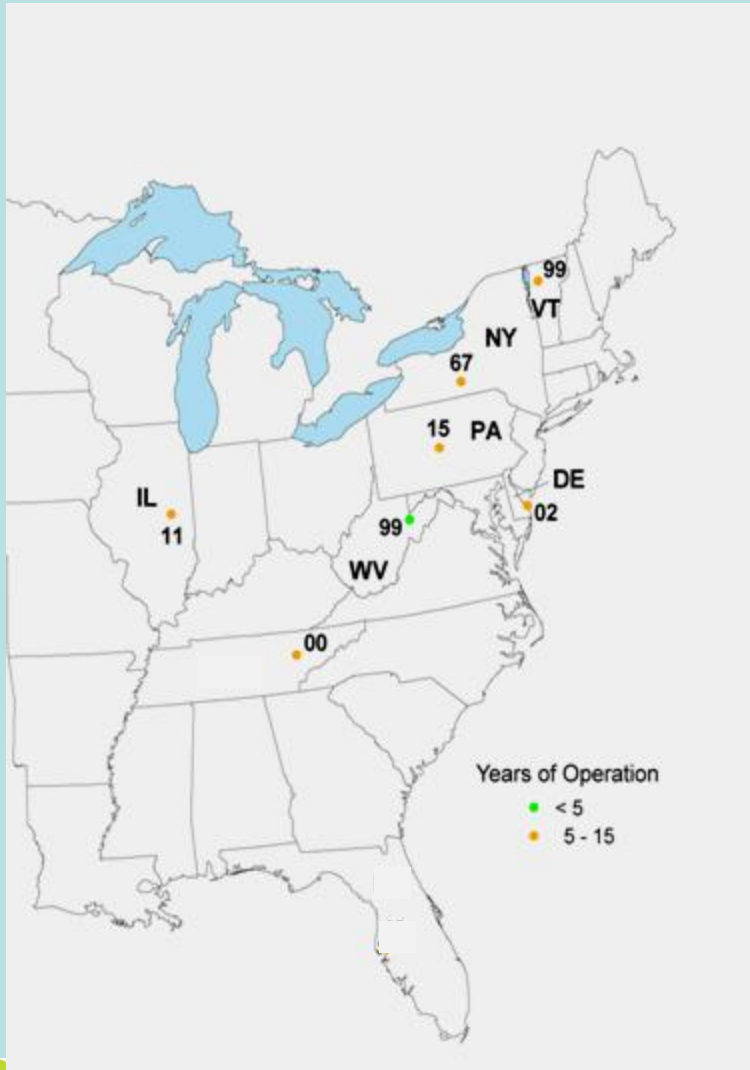


National Trends Network (NTN)

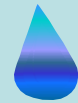


Currently 256 sites

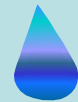
Network #2: Atmospheric Integrated Research Monitoring Network (AIRMoN)



Very similar to NTN, but collects **daily** when precipitation occurs

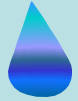


Measures same analytes as NTN

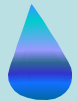


Samples refrigerated from collection until analysis

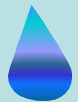
Network 3: Mercury Deposition Network (MDN)



Collects one-week precipitation-only samples with MDN wet-dry collector



Measures precipitation with gage



Analyses

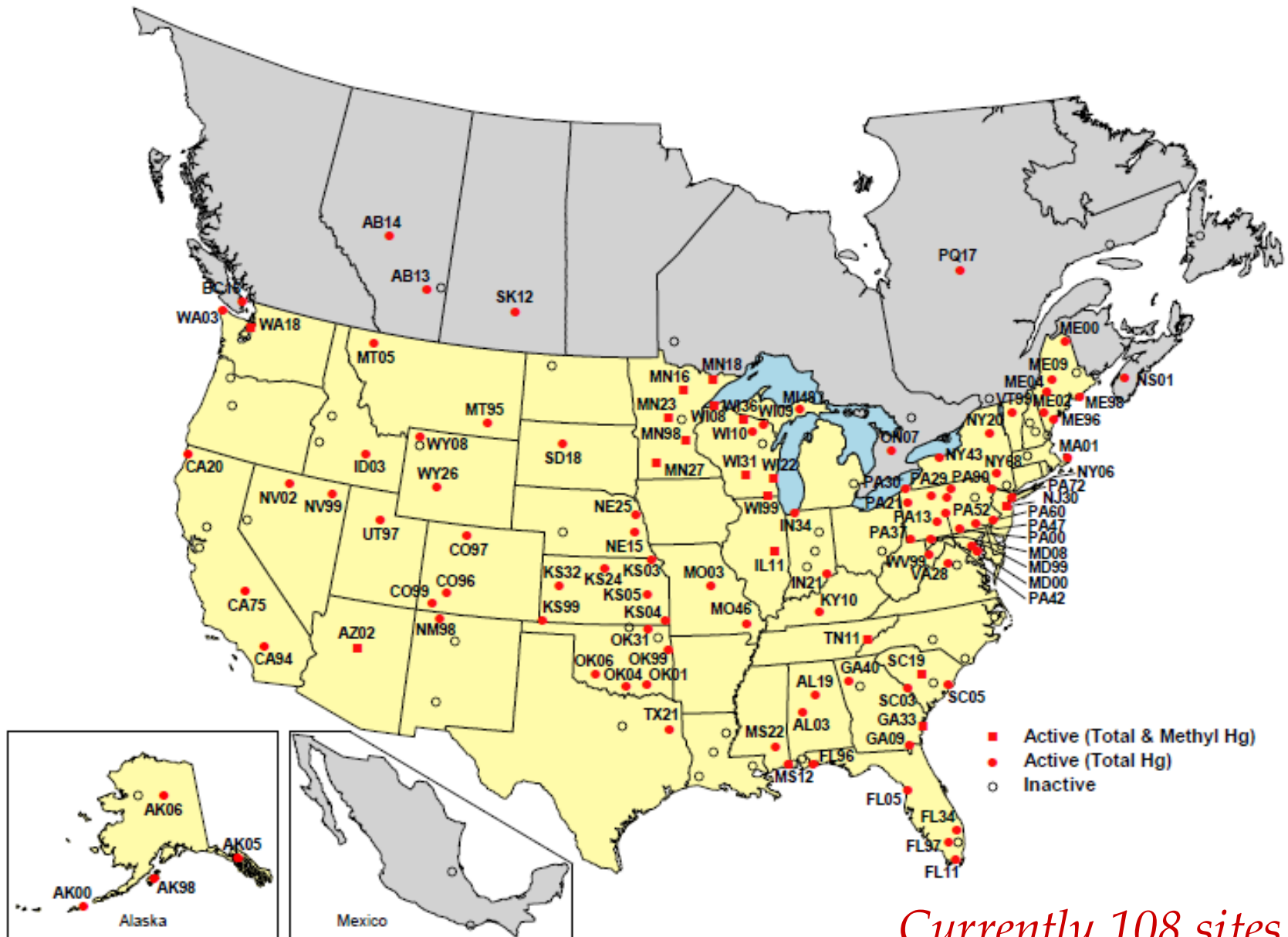
Total Mercury

Methyl Mercury

Other options

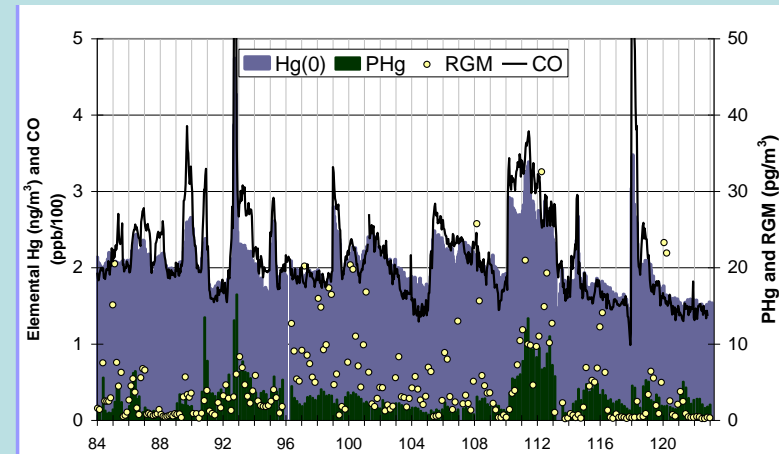


MDN Monitoring Sites

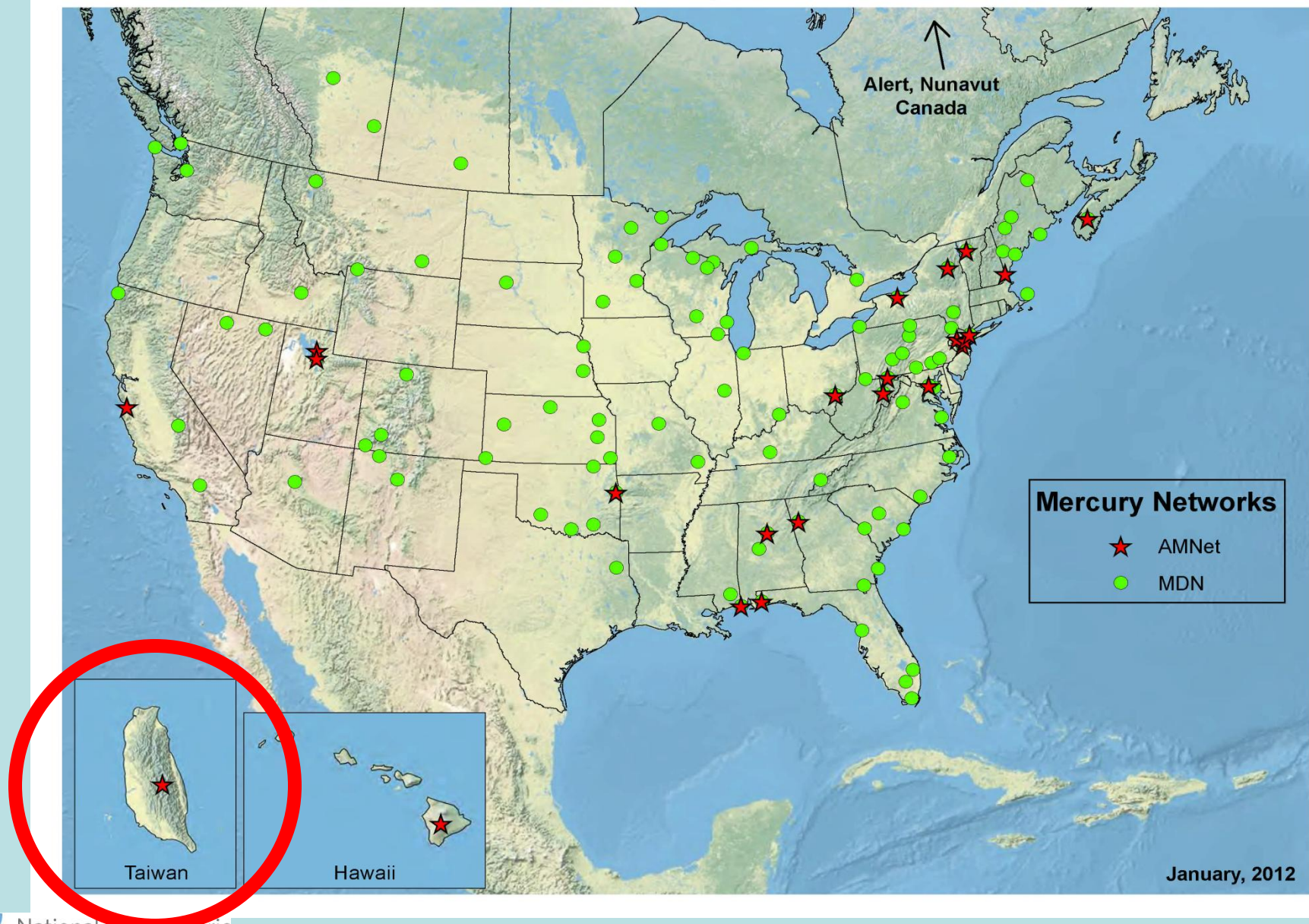


Network 4: Atmospheric Mercury Network (AMNet)

- A New NADP Network
- Measure:
 - Hg species (Tekran system)
 - meteorology and land cover variables
- *Immediate priority:* areas with strong impact from local and regional Hg sources
- Estimate Dry Deposition



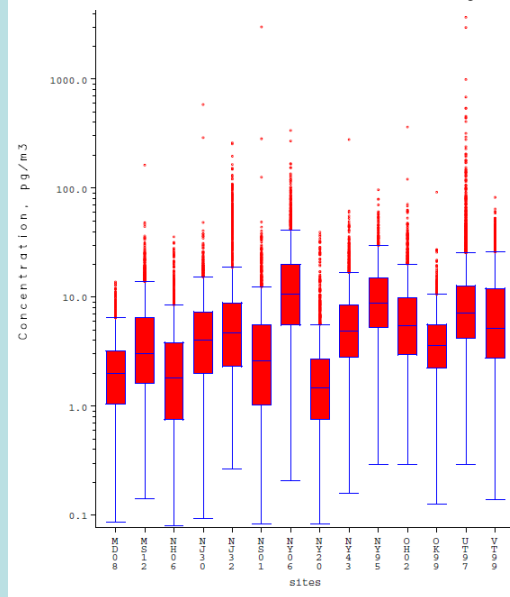
NADP Mercury Networks



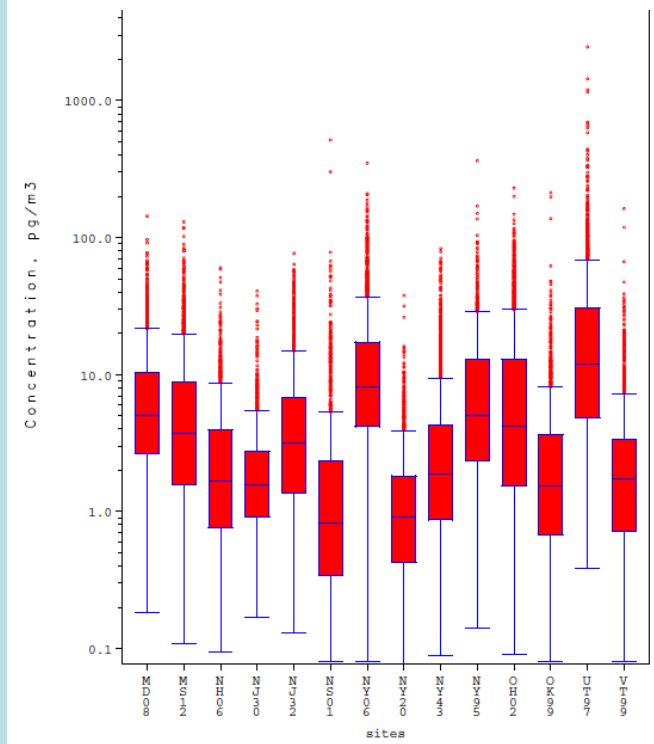
Goal: Dry Deposition of Mercury

Currently: 143,000 observations at 24 sites

Particulate Bound Mercury

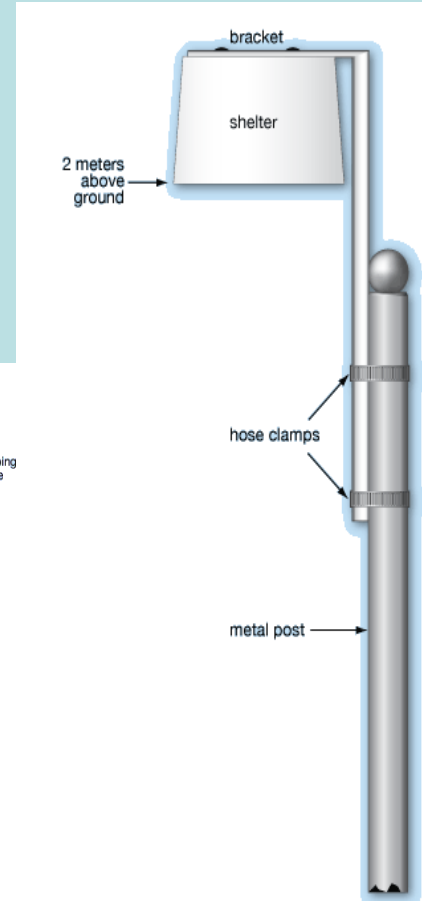
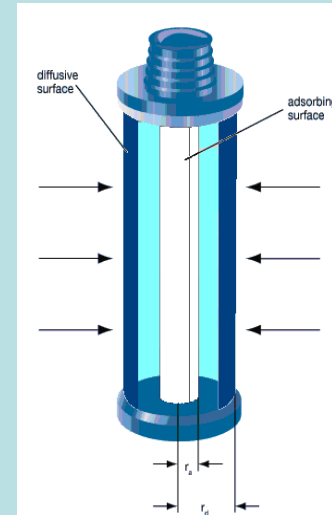
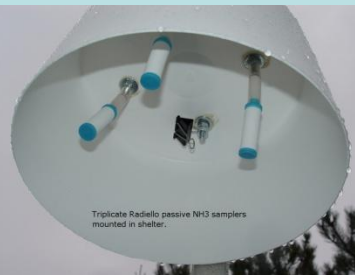


Gaseous Oxidized Mercury

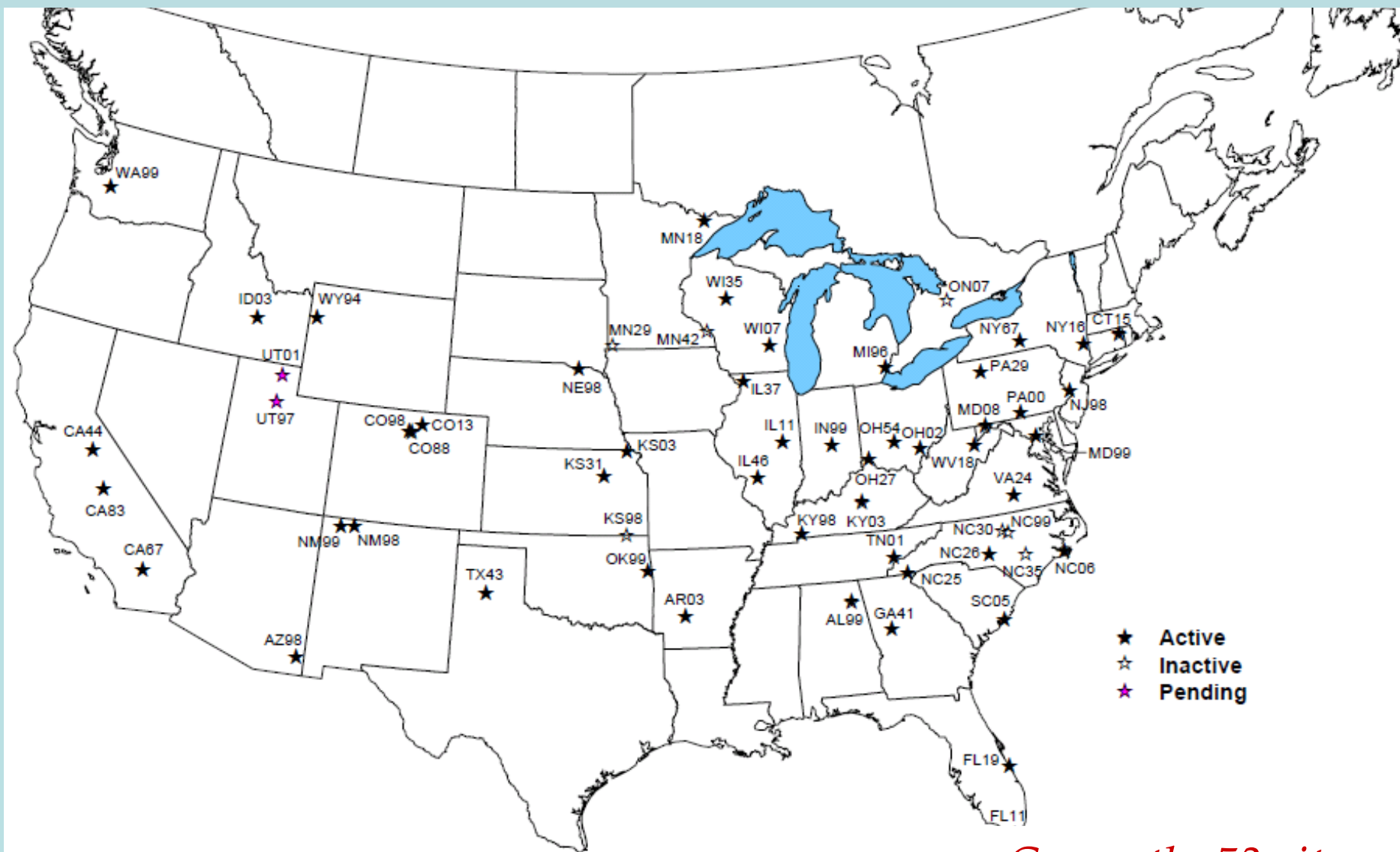


Network #5: Ammonia Monitoring Network (AMoN)

- Measure atmospheric concentrations of ammonia
- Passive samplers
- Low cost, 2 week integrated sample
 - $\mu\text{g NH}_3/\text{m}^3$



Ammonia Monitoring Network (AMoN)



Currently 53 sites

Ammonia (NH_3)



Who is NADP?

Federal Agency Members



The National Park Service



United States Department of Agriculture
National Institute of Food and Agriculture



United States
Environmental Protection Agency



USDA
Forest Service

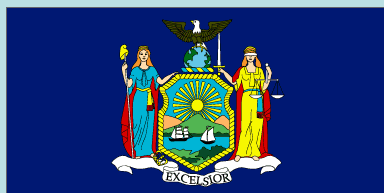
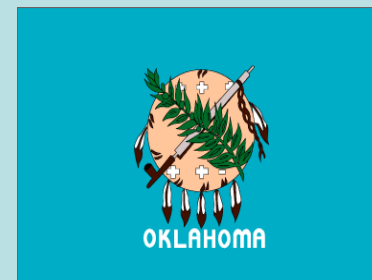
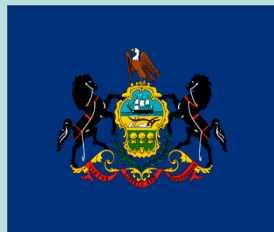
*Caring for the Land and
Serving People*

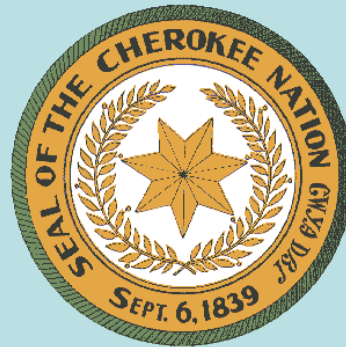


**AIR
RESOURCES
LABORATORY**



States





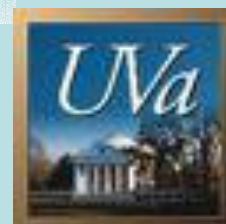
Tribal Nations

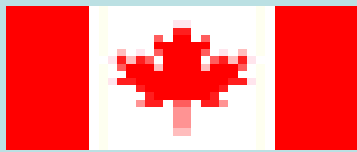


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University Members





Environnement
Canada

Other Organizations and States

Environnement
Québec



Audubon Center of the North Woods

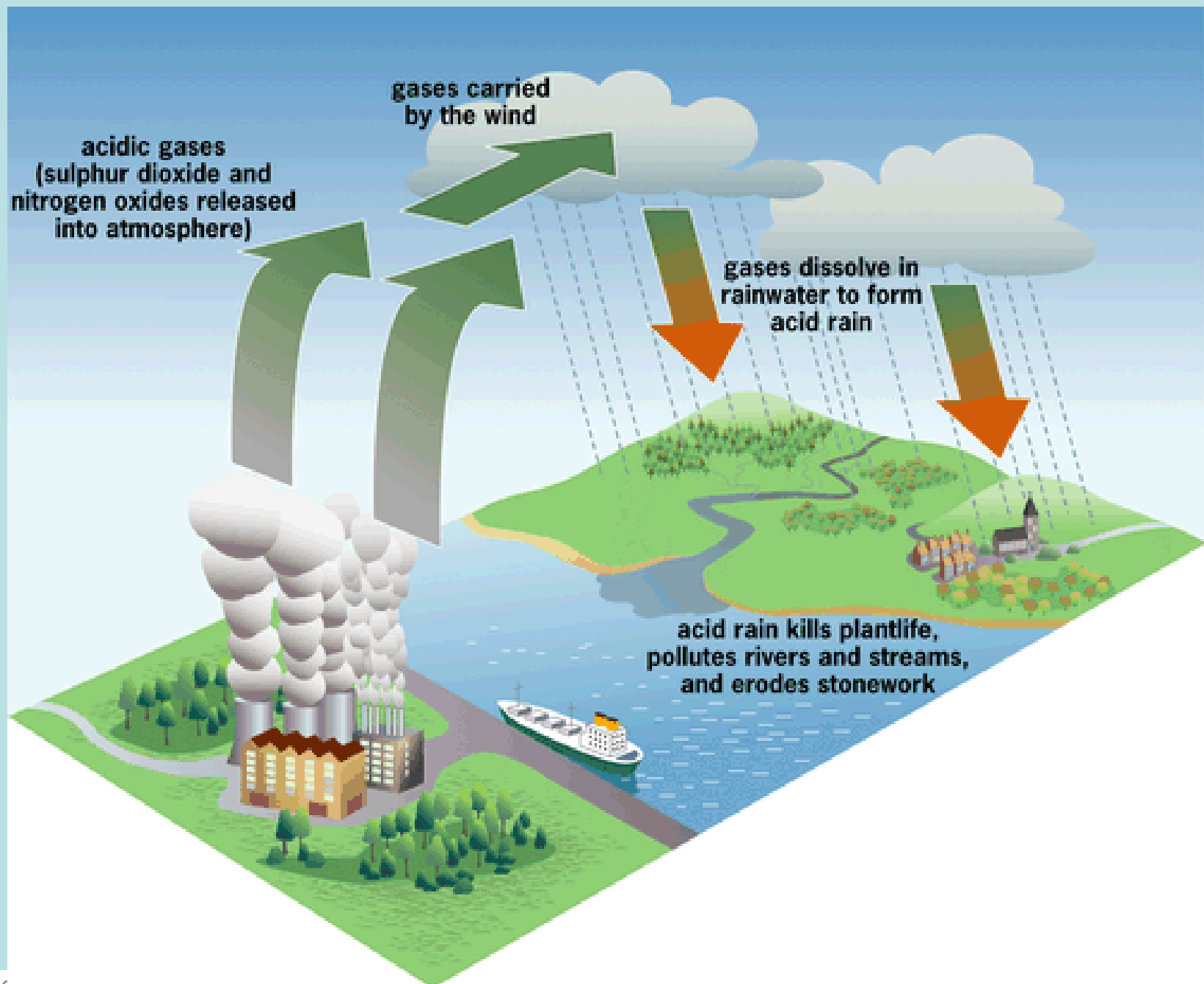
We have 250 cooperators....

Anyone can join the NADP

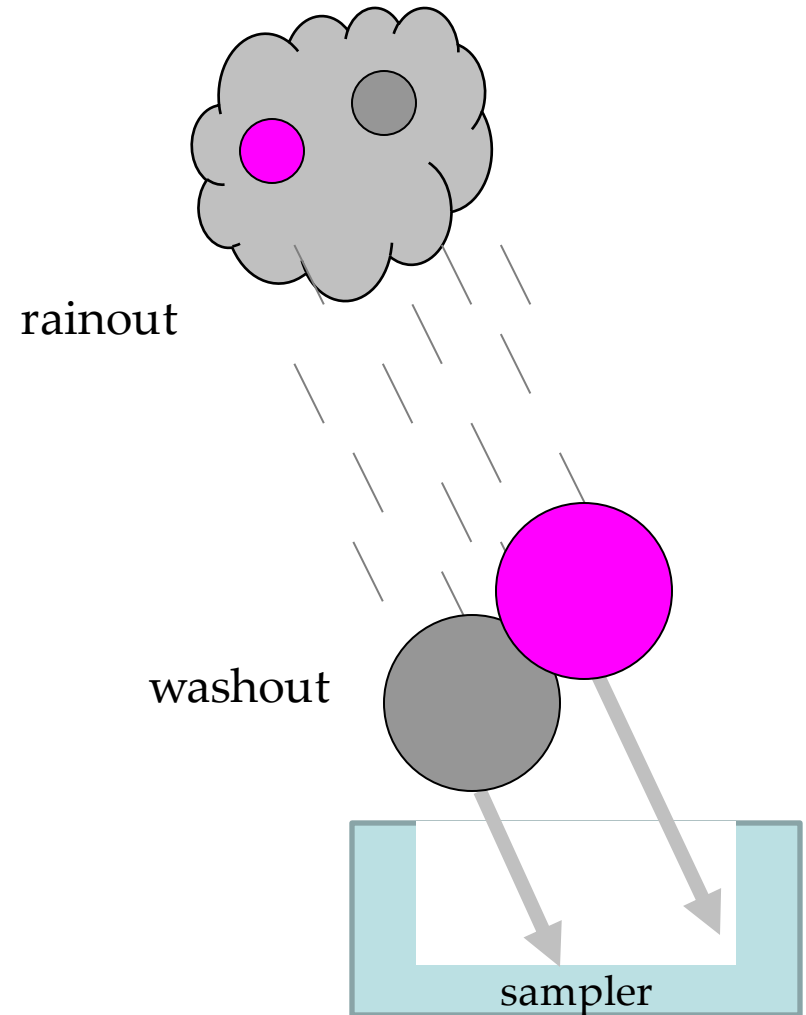
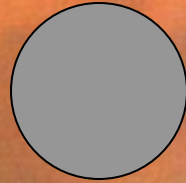
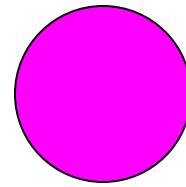
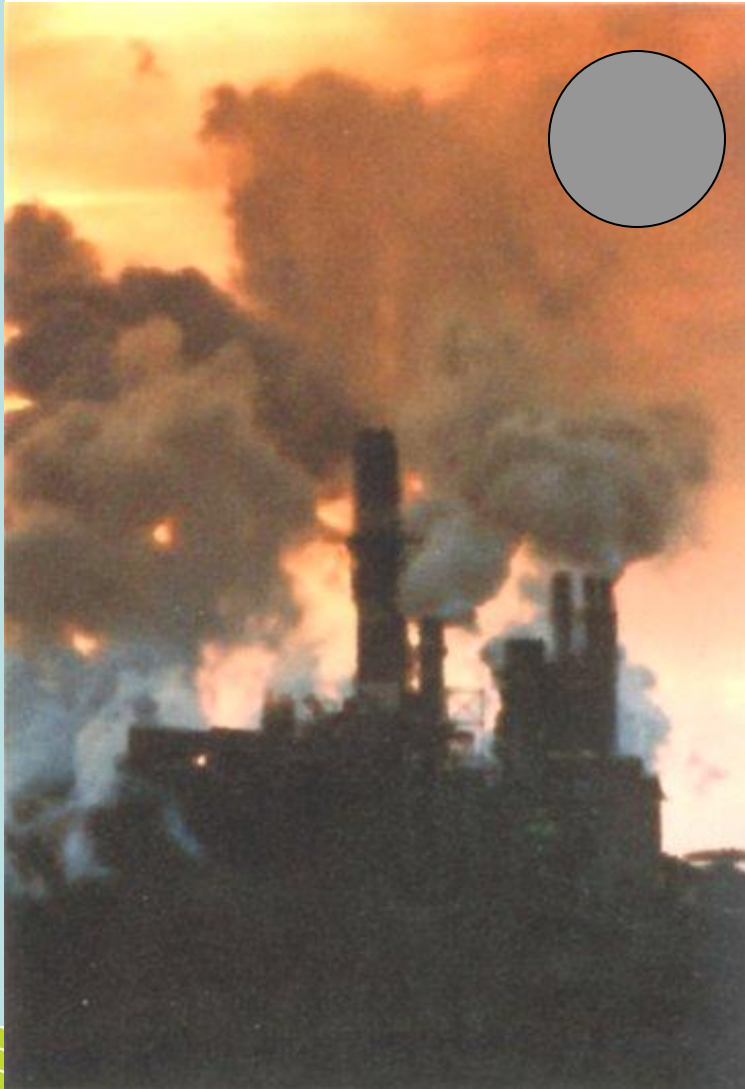
- If you have need of the data;
- If you want depositional measurements for your region;
- Try to make the sampling as easy and straightforward as possible.

all are welcome to join any network!

How Do Pollutants Get into Rain?



How does pollution get into precipitation?



Other Mass Movement Processes...

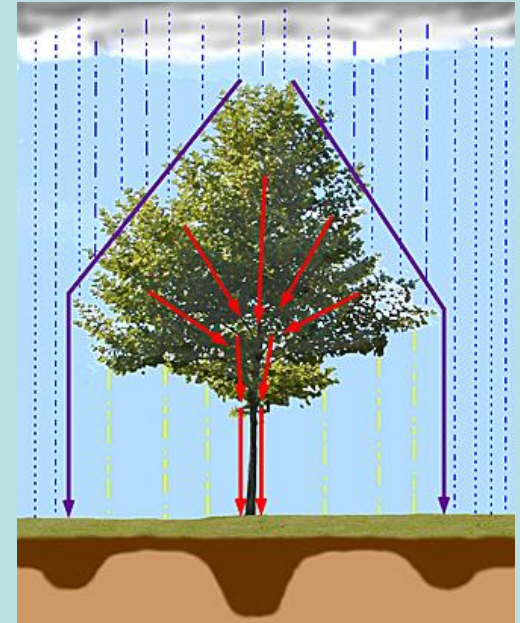
- Dry Deposition



- Litterfall



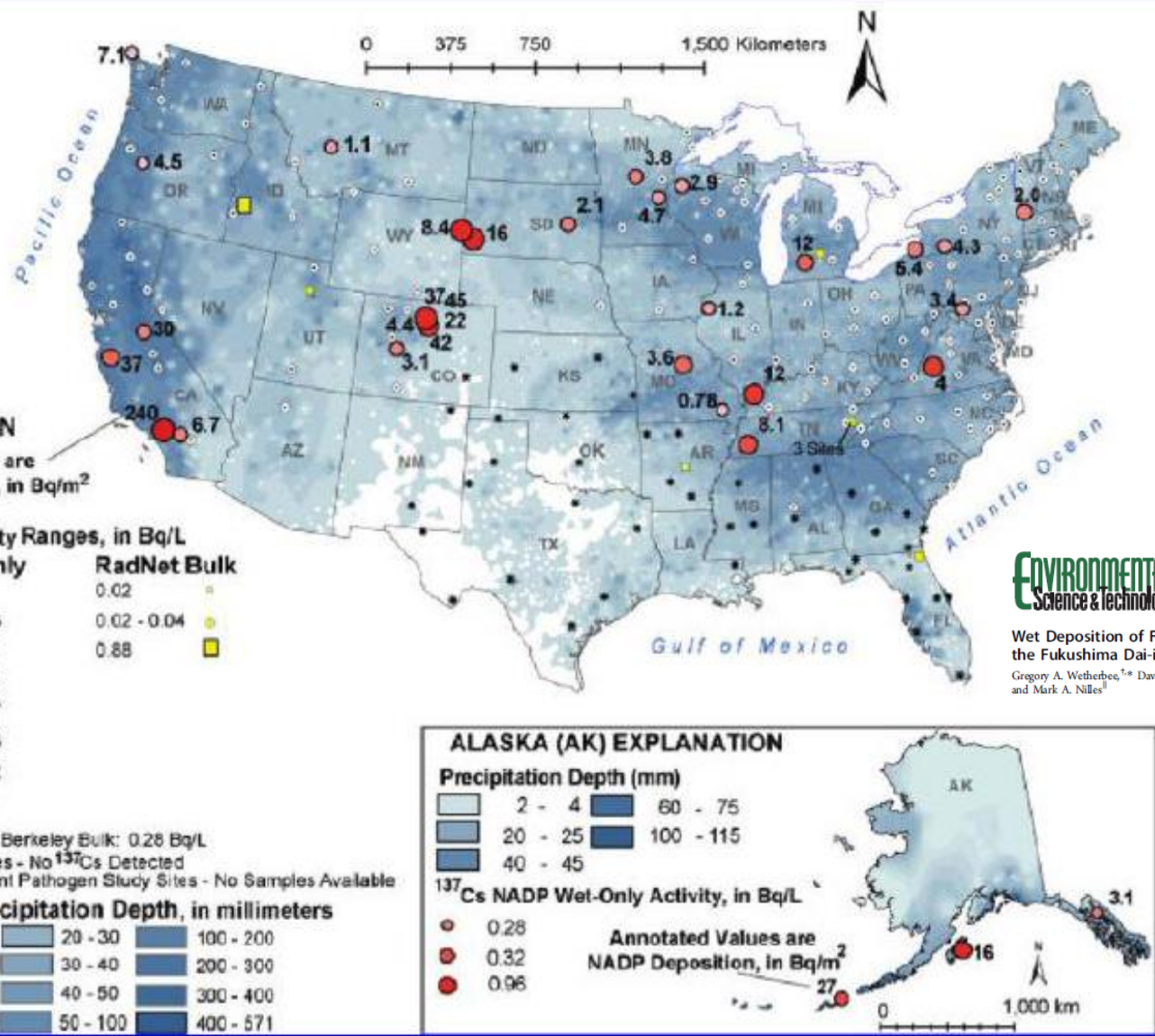
- Throughfall



All of our Measurements
are on the web

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Fukushima Radiation Deposition



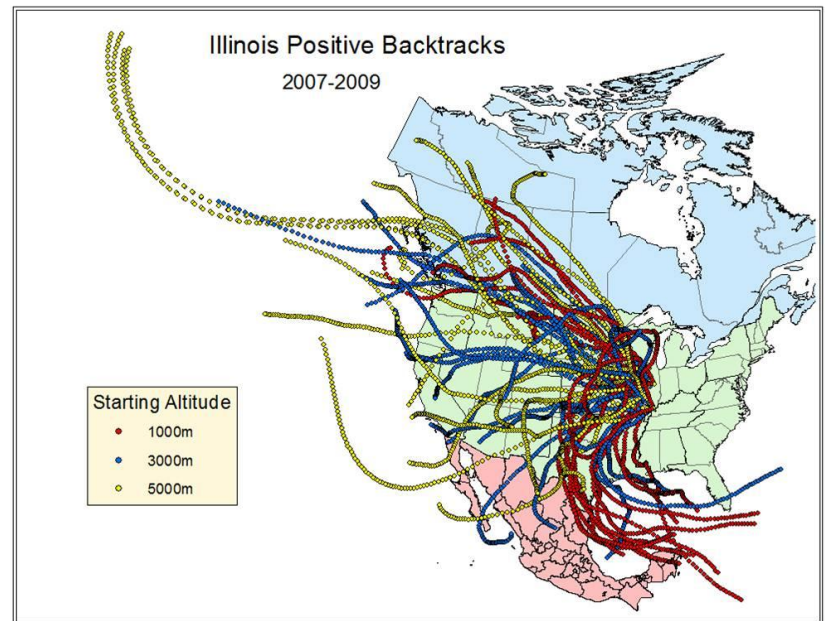
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Wet Deposition of Fission-Product Isotopes to North America from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Incident, March 2011

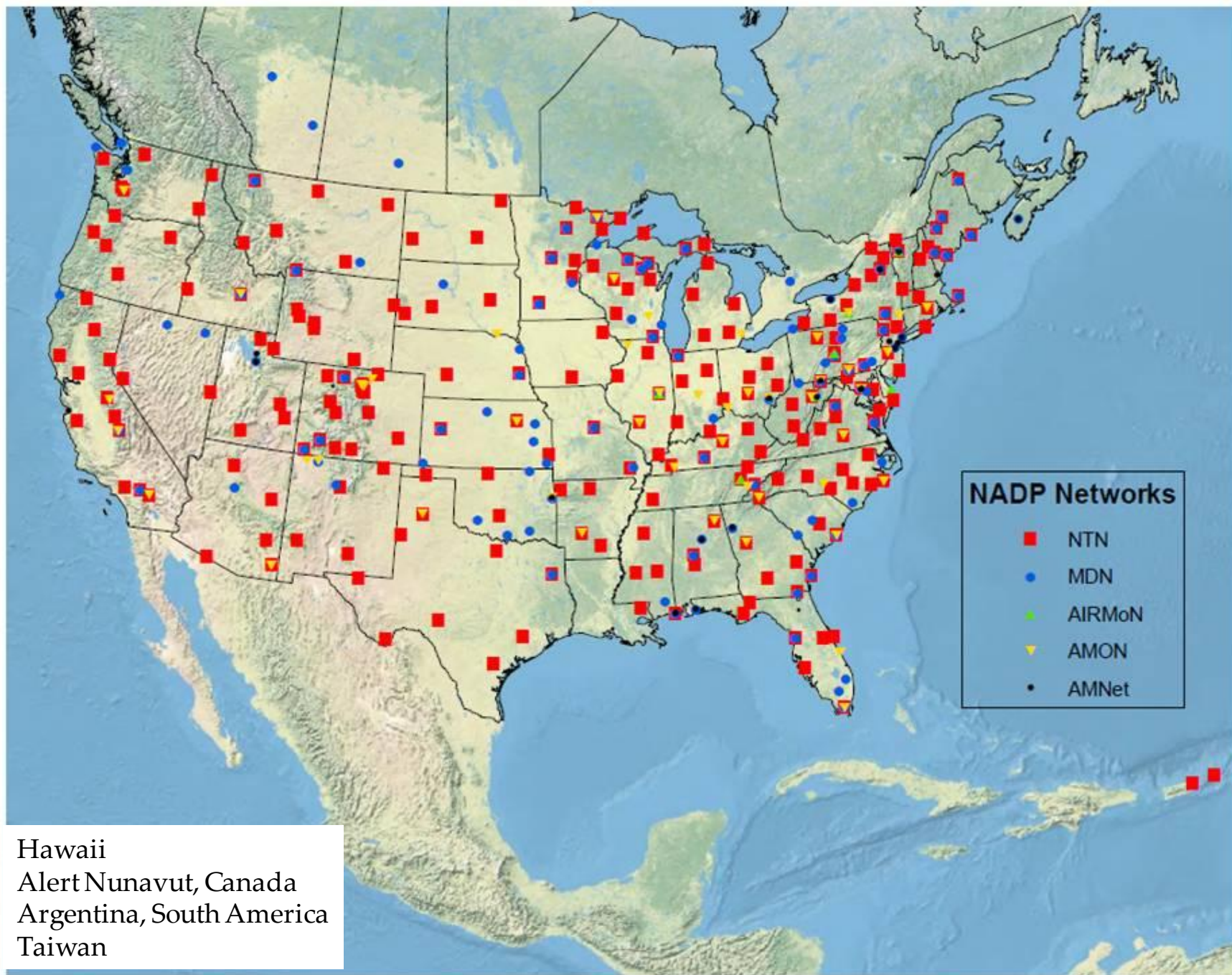
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Asian Soybean Rust



Where

Do We Measure It?



Hawaii
Alert Nunavut, Canada
Argentina, South America
Taiwan



AIRMoN PA15
Penn State Univ., PA



MDN FL11
Everglades N.P., FL



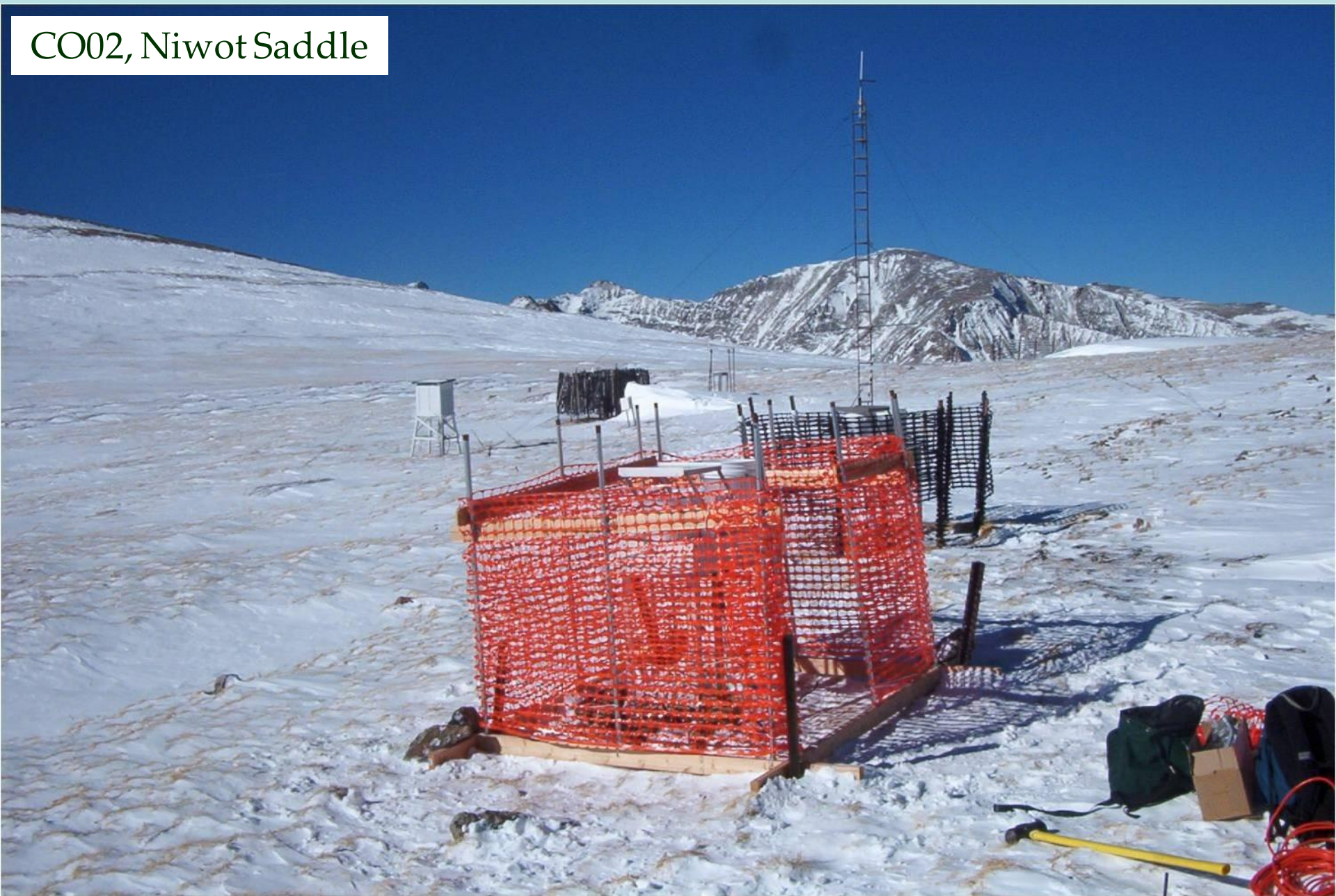
NTN NV05
Great Basin National Park



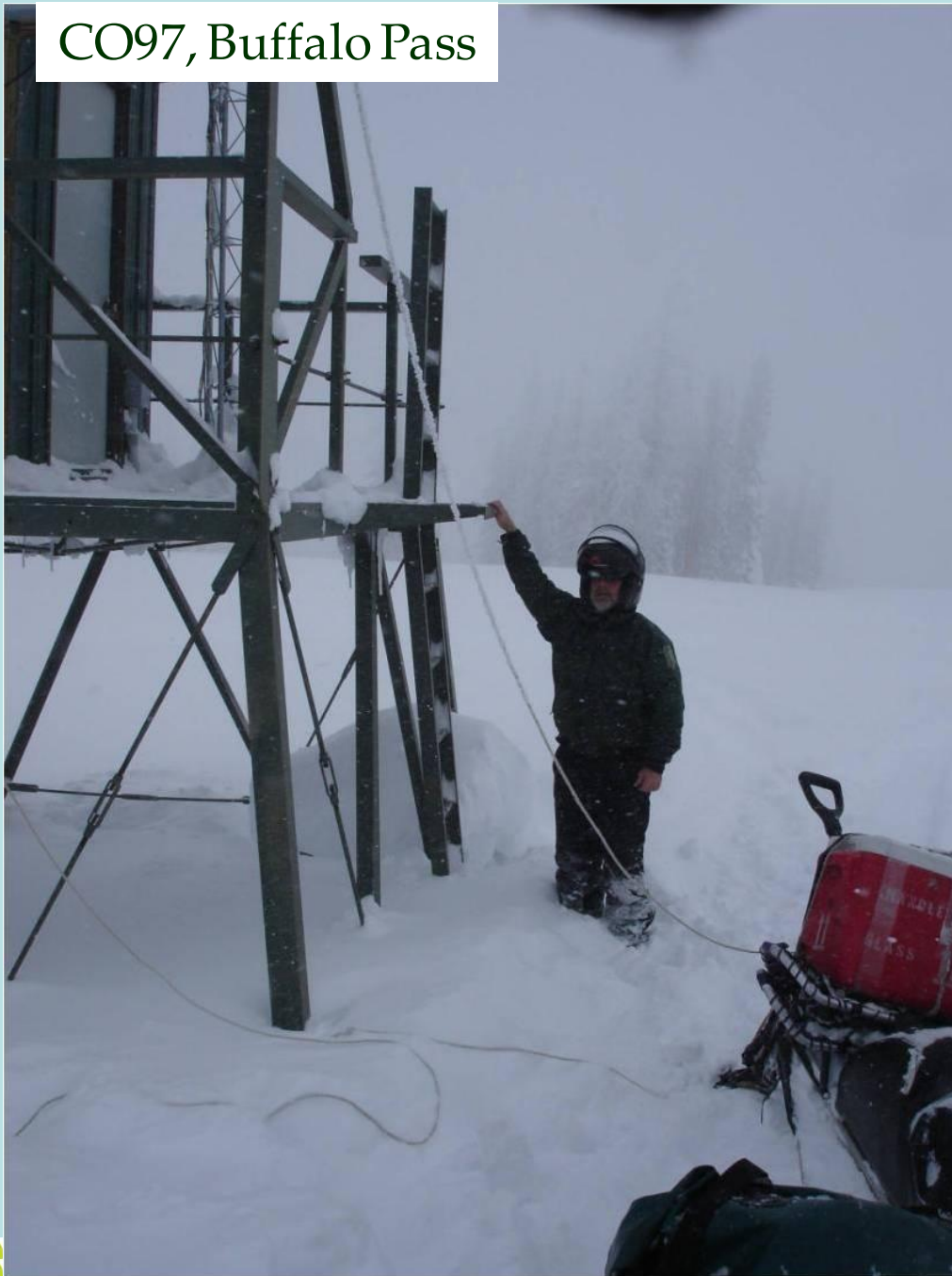
NTN IL11
Bondville, IL



CO₂, Niwot Saddle



CO97, Buffalo Pass



Alert, Nunavut, Canada



New York City



Washington DC



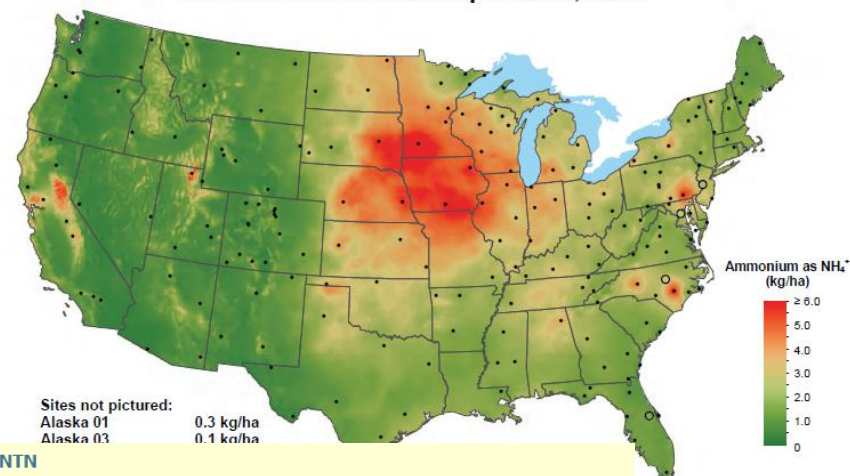
MDN43

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Results of all of this?

Data.....

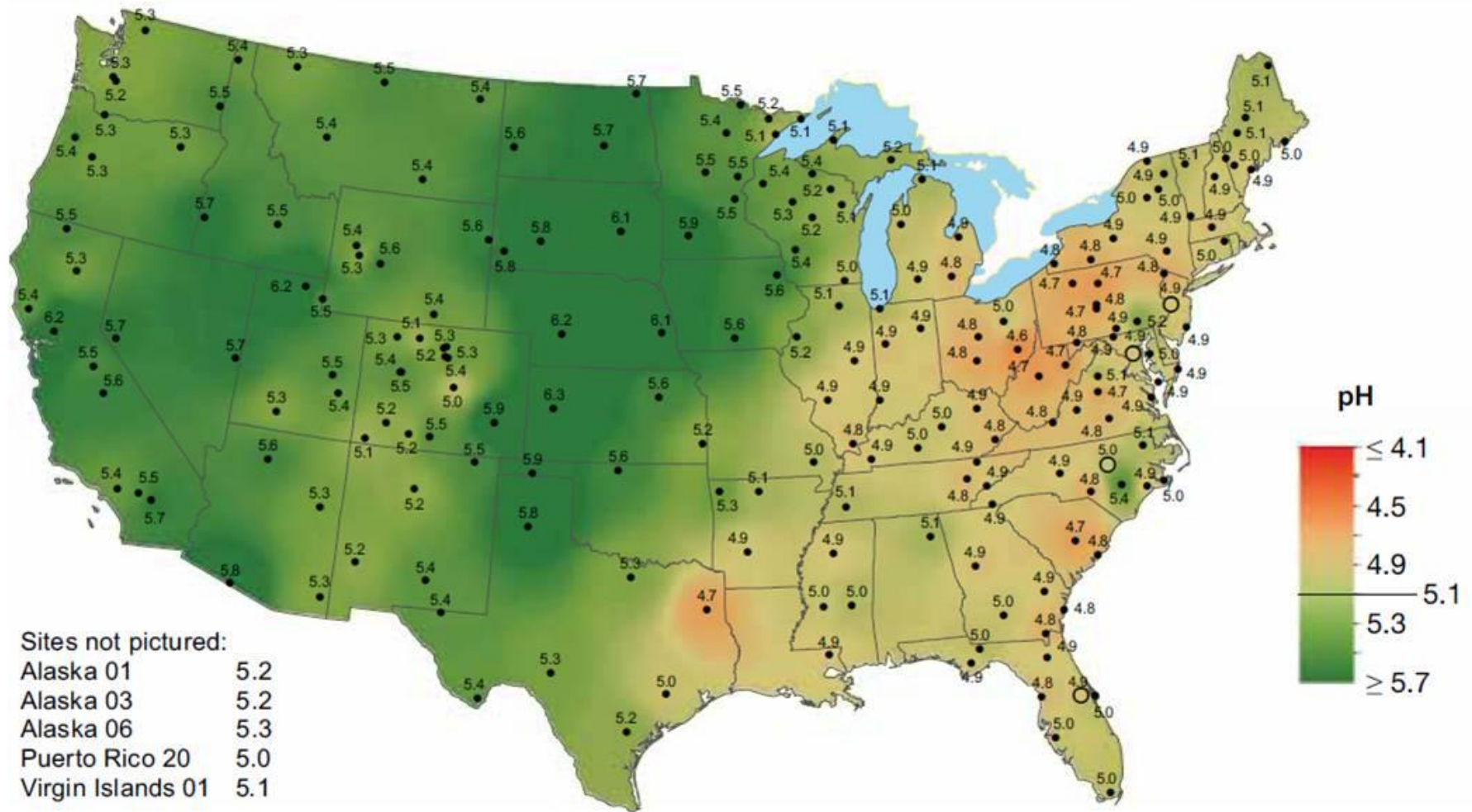
Ammonium ion wet deposition, 2010



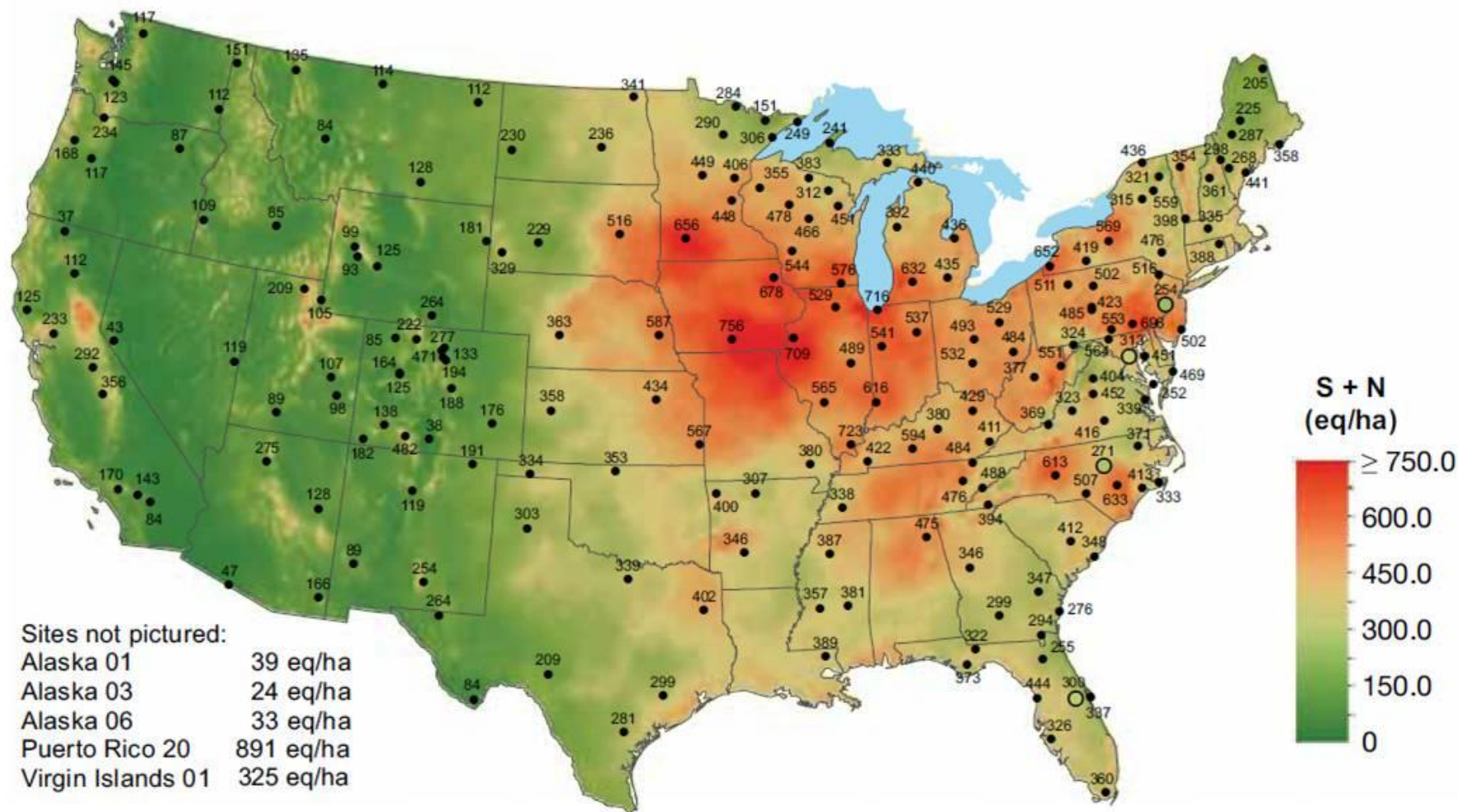
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Weekly Samples

Site ID	Date On	Date Off	Ca	Mg	K	Na	NH ₄	NO ₃	Cl	SO ₄	pH			Conductivity			Sample Volume	Precip	sub_ppt	Lab Type
			mg/L								Lab	Field	FV	Lab	Field	FV	ml	mm	mm	
IL11	02/27/1979	03/06/1979	0.150	0.011	0.011	0.025	0.080	0.900	0.150	1.950	4.50	--	-	16.0	--	-	3417.0	48.26	48.260	w
IL11	03/06/1979	03/13/1979	0.170	0.015	0.013	0.030	0.550	2.750	0.230	3.350	4.16	--	-	37.7	--	-	620.0	10.67	10.670	w
IL11	03/13/1979	03/20/1979	0.210	0.047	0.015	0.268	0.150	1.200	0.500	2.950	4.26	--	-	30.2	--	-	1872.0	24.89	24.890	w
IL11	03/20/1979	03/27/1979	0.190	0.016	0.012	0.031	0.250	1.850	0.100	2.600	4.20	--	-	36.0	--	-	1733.0	28.70	28.700	w
IL11	03/27/1979	04/03/1979	0.240	0.031	0.023	0.175	0.350	1.750	0.200	3.750	4.24	--	-	29.0	--	-	1499.0	24.89	24.890	w
IL11	04/03/1979	04/10/1979	0.260	0.033	0.024	0.144	0.450	1.700	0.100	3.300	4.34	--	-	21.5	--	-	1040.0	15.24	15.240	w
IL11	04/10/1979	04/17/1979	0.330	0.039	0.046	0.133	0.280	1.100	0.200	2.950	4.44	--	-	22.0	--	-	4093.0	78.74	78.740	w
IL11	04/17/1979	04/24/1979	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	-	--	--	-	--	39.12	39.120	w
IL11	04/24/1979	05/01/1979	0.140	0.024	0.010	0.029	0.320	1.400	0.100	2.500	4.36	--	-	16.0	--	-	1570.5	20.57	20.570	w
IL11	05/01/1979	05/08/1979	0.130	0.025	0.018	0.046	0.920	1.100	0.180	4.100	4.33	--	-	26.1	--	-	534.5	9.40	9.400	w
IL11	05/08/1979	05/15/1979	0.500	0.064	0.056	0.027	0.900	2.200	0.150	2.900	4.90	--	-	16.0	--	-	1329.0	19.81	19.810	w
IL11	05/15/1979	05/22/1979	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	-	--	--	-	--	-7.00	0.127	t
IL11	05/22/1979	05/29/1979	0.310	0.043	0.034	0.043	0.600	2.250	0.100	3.600	4.23	--	-	31.3	--	-	349.0	6.35	6.350	w
IL11	05/29/1979	06/05/1979	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	-	--	--	-	--	-7.00	0.127	t
IL11	06/05/1979	06/12/1979	0.120	0.029	0.036	0.170	0.250	1.250	0.150	2.680	4.33	--	-	23.0	--	-	353.5	4.83	4.830	w
IL11	06/12/1979	06/19/1979	0.920	0.146	0.050	0.068	0.700	2.850	0.150	4.800	4.29	--	-	36.0	--	-	182.0	2.54	2.540	w
IL11	06/19/1979	06/26/1979	0.980	0.189	0.100	0.405	0.600	2.850	0.550	7.600	4.04	--	-	49.9	--	-	158.5	2.03	2.030	w
IL11	06/26/1979	07/03/1979	0.380	0.065	0.027	0.092	0.550	2.250	<0.050	3.150	4.47	--	-	25.5	--	-	1022.5	15.49	15.490	w
IL11	07/03/1979	07/10/1979	0.400	0.086	0.549	0.189	1.800	2.550	0.400	5.800	4.18	--	-	45.4	--	-	916.5	14.22	14.220	w
IL11	07/10/1979	07/17/1979	0.380	0.034	0.025	0.132	0.400	2.000	<0.050	3.350	4.21	--	-	21.2	--	-	1680.5	24.89	24.890	w
IL11	07/17/1979	07/25/1979	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	-	--	--	-	5421.5	80.26	80.260	w

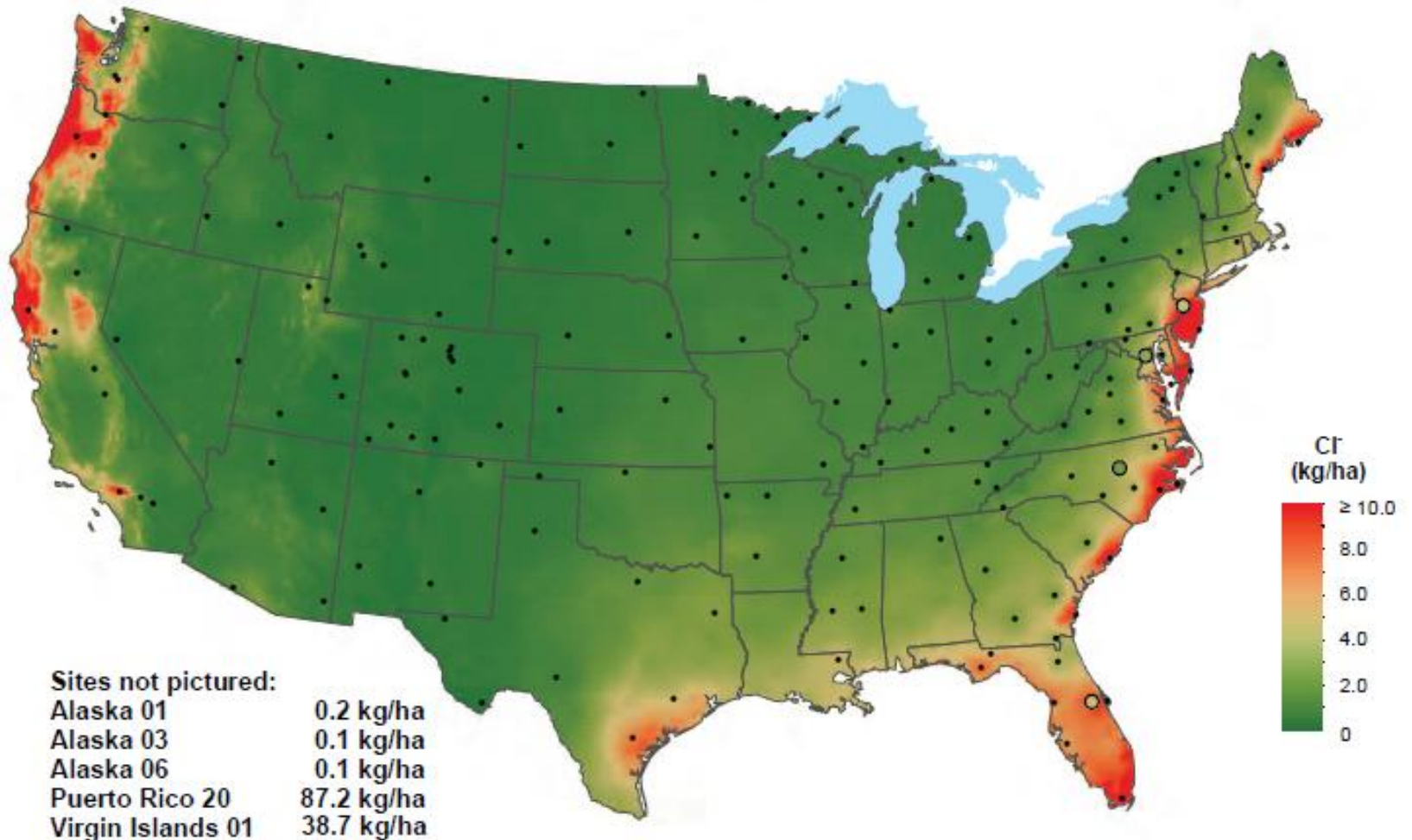
“Acid Rain” is still an issue.



Sulfate and Nitrate Deposition Rates, 2010



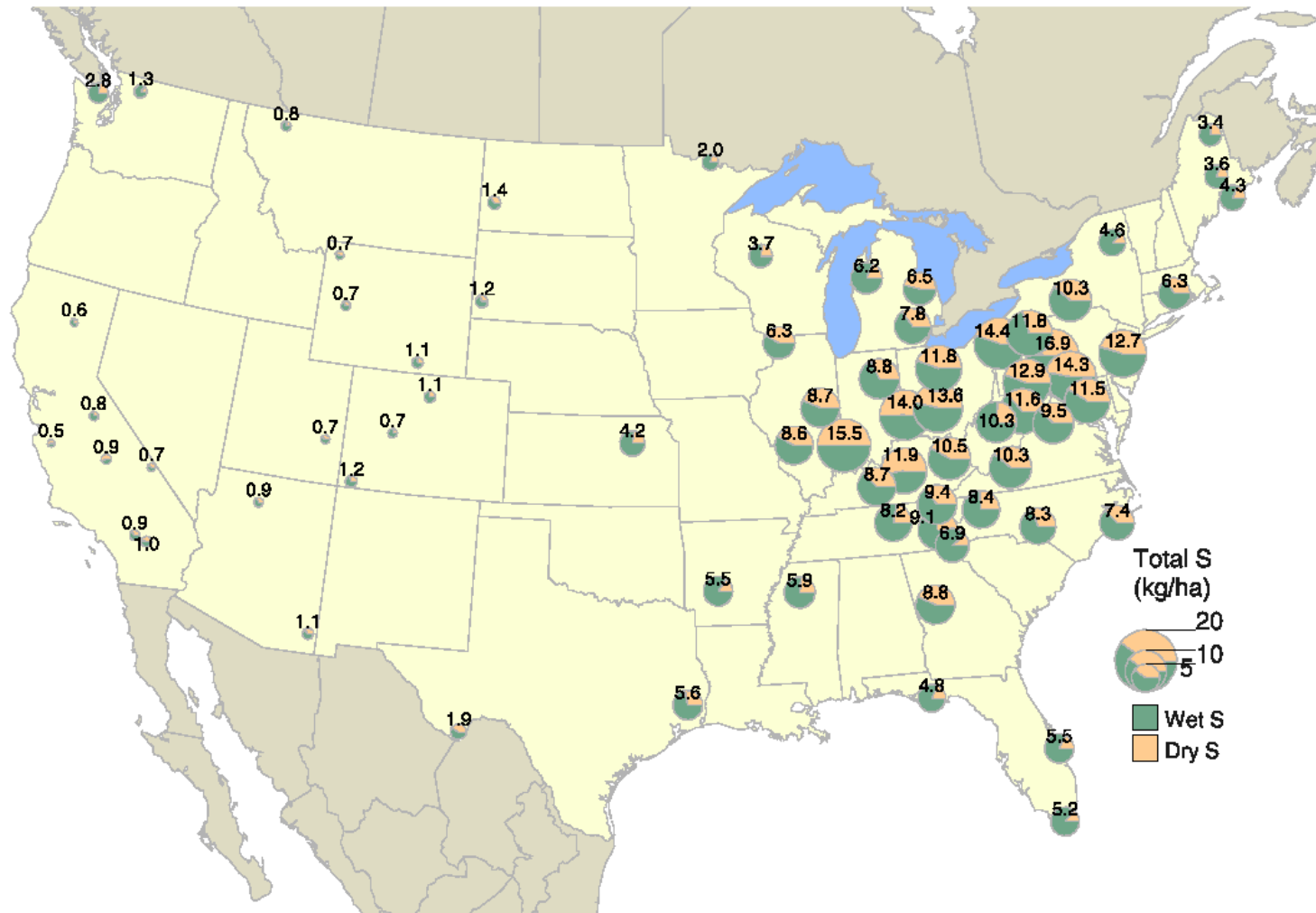
Chloride ion wet deposition, 2010



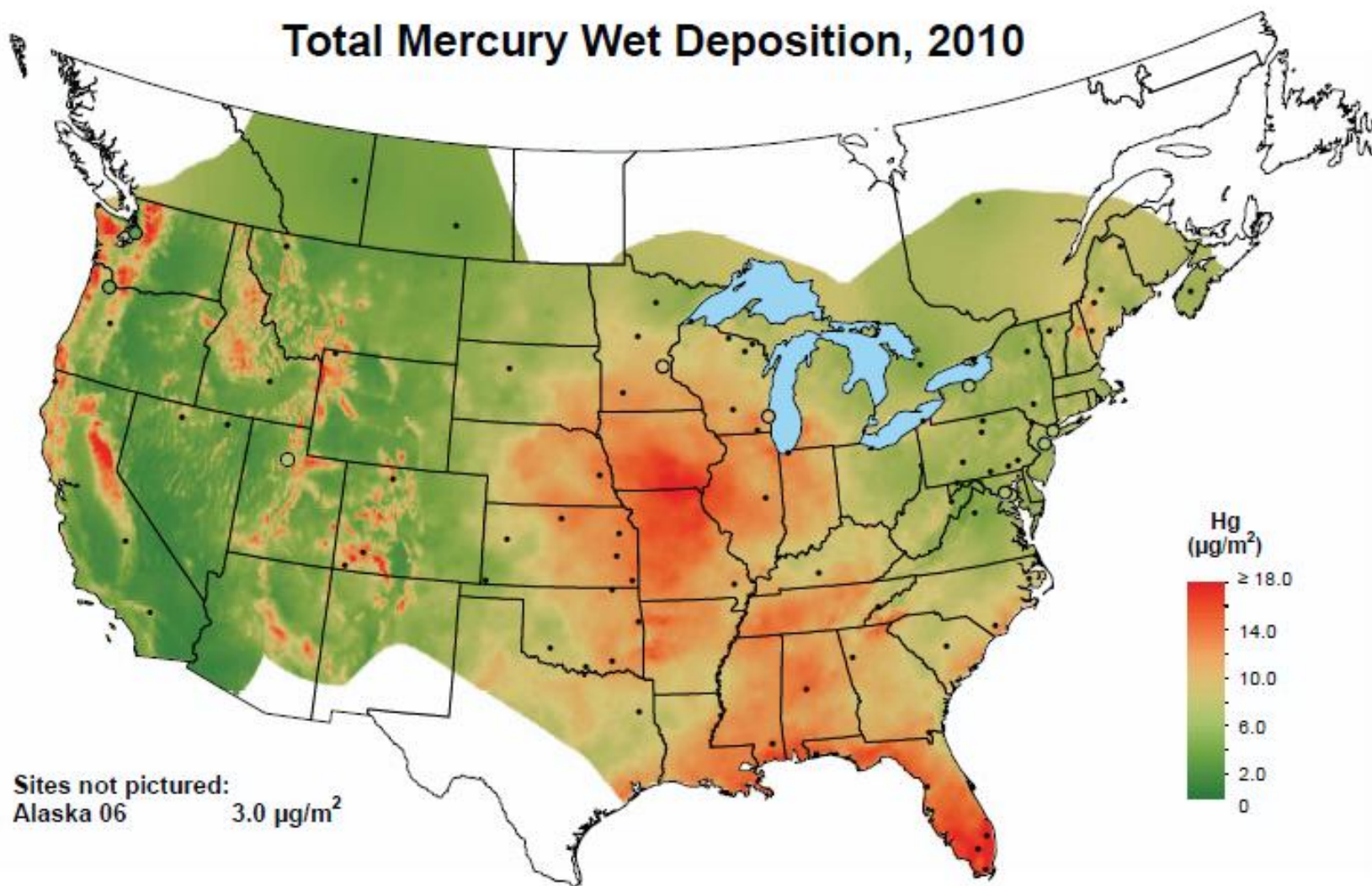
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Total Sulfate Deposition (w/CASTNET)



Total Mercury Wet Deposition, 2010

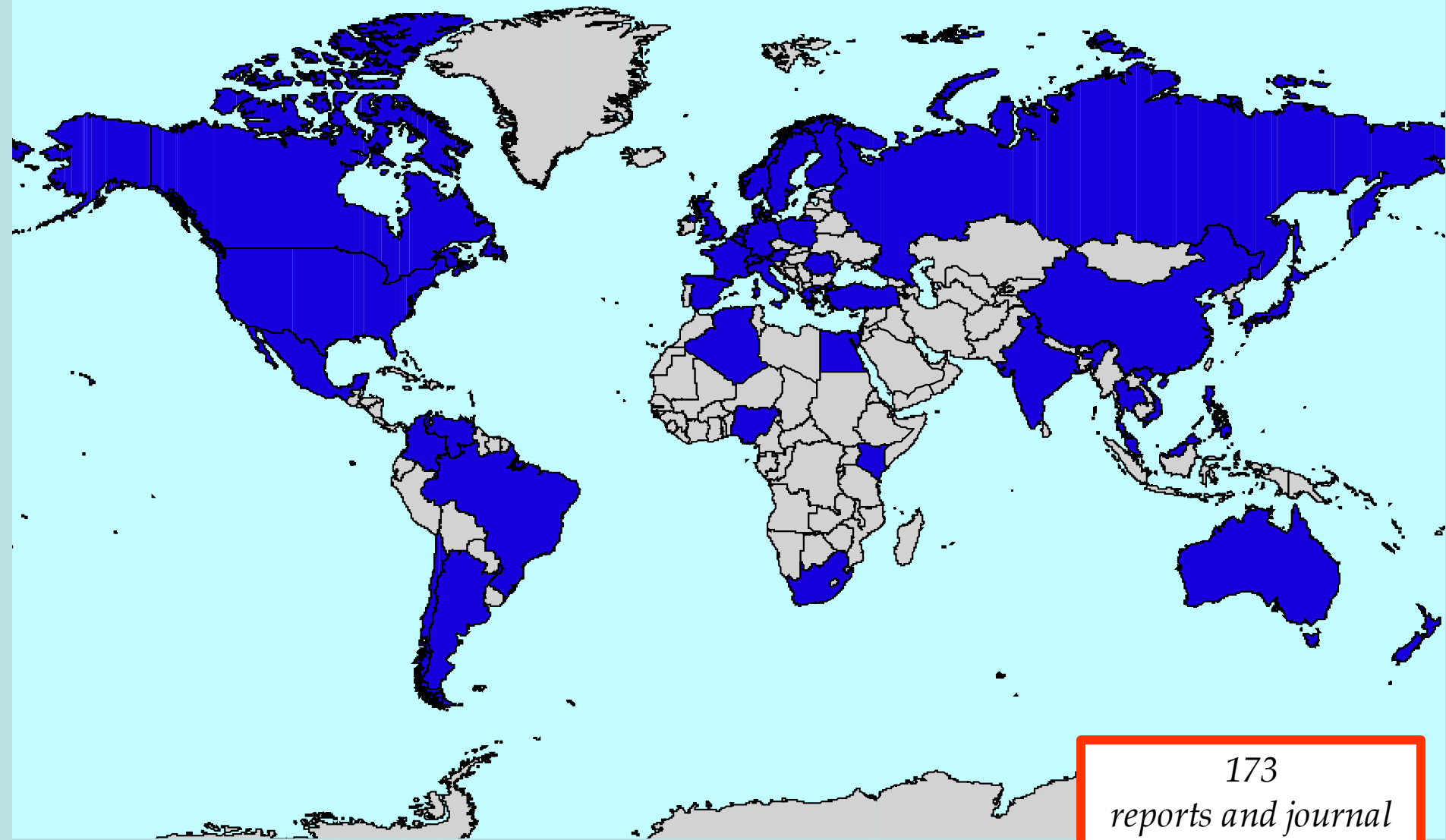


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Bottom Line

- Long-term monitoring to measure trends;
- consistently and as accurately as possible;
- check our accuracy (quality assurance);
- data online for everyone

Registered Users of NADP Data



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articles in 2011*

Animation

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